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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a patent application for FLOWCHART-BASED CONTROL SYSTEM INCLUDING AUTOMATIC DOWNTIME AND CYCLE TIME ANALYSIS

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If for some reason applicant has not requested a sufficient extension of time in the parent application, and/or has not paid a sufficient fee for any necessary response in the parent application and/or for the extension of time necessary to prevent the abandonment of the parent application prior to the filing of this application, please consider this as a Request for an Extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any fee that may be due. THIS FORM IS BEING FILED IN TRIPLICATE: one copy for this application; one copy for use in connection with the Deposit Account (if applicable); and one copy for the above-mentioned parent application (if any extension of time is necessary).

# 2. Contents of Application

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а. •	Spe	ecification of 23 pages; [ ] A microfiche computer program (Appendix); [ ] A nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence submission;
	[]	Because the enclosed application is in a non-English language, a verified English translation [ ] is enclosed [ ] will be filed.
	[]	Cancel original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing date purposes.)

b. [X] Drawings on 7 sheets;

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c. [X] An unsigned Oath/Declaration [X] is enclosed / [ ] will be filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f).

The enclosed Oath/Declaration is [ ] newly executed / [ ] a copy from a prior application under 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d) / [ ] accompanied by a statement requesting the deletion of person(s) not inventors in the continuing application.

#### d. Fees

FILING FEE	Number				Number		_	Basic Fee
CALCULATION	Filed				Extra	Rate		\$690.00
Total Claims	21	_	20	=	1	\$18.00	=	\$18.00
Independent Claims	3	_	3	=	0	\$78.00	=	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s) Used						\$260.00	=	
FILING FEE - NON-SMALL ENTITY							\$690.00	
FILING FEE - SMALL ENTITY: Reduction by 1/2								
Assignment Recordal Fee (\$40.00)								
37 C.F.R. §1.17(k) Fee (non-English application)								
TOTAL								\$708.00

[X]	A check is enclosed to cover the calculated fees. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to
	charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit
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## 3. Priority Information

[]	Foreign Priority: Priority based on Application No, filed, is claimed.
	[ ] A copy of the above referenced priority document [ ] is enclosed / [ ] will be filed in due course, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d).
[]	Provisional Application Priority: Priority based on United States Provisional Application No filed is claimed under 35 U.S.C. &119(e).

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4	Other	Sunm	issions

[]	A P	reliminary Amendment is enclosed.							
[]		Information Disclosure Statement, sheets of PTO Form 1449, and ent(s)/publications/documents are enclosed.							
[X]	A power of attorney								
	[X]	will be submitted [X] with the new Oath/Declaration.							
	[]	is of record in the prior application and $[\ ]$ is in the original papers / $[\ ]$ a copy is enclosed.							
[]	An A	Assignment of the invention							
	[]	is enclosed with a cover sheet pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 3.11, 3.28 and 3.31.							
	[]	is of record in a prior application. The assignment is to, and is recorded at Reel, Frame(s)							
[]		Establishment of Assignee's Right To Prosecute Application Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b), Power Of Attorney is enclosed.							
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### **EXPRESS MAILING CERTIFICATE**

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I hereby certify and verify that the accompanying Check in the amount of \$708.00 (\$690.00 filing fee and one extra dependant claim), Transmittal Letter (in triplicate), 23-page Patent Application, Unsigned Declaration and Power of Attorney, and Seven (7) Sheets of Drawings are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office To Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10 on the date indicated above and (is) are addressed to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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